UGGGH... I-IT SEEMS YOU'RE RIGHT. IT WAS THE GRIM REAPER SMILING UPON ME...
BUT YOU'VE NOTICED IT TOO LATE, RASETSU ...
FROM THE MOMENT YOU AND I CROSSED FISTS, YOU HAVE ENTHRALLED THE GRIM REAPER.
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MANJIMARU — DEAD
HENSHOUKI — DEAD
DOKUGANTETSU — DEAD
BARON DEIKO — DEAD
RAIDEN — DEAD
HIEN — DEAD
GEKKOU
EIKEI
RASETSU
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SENKUU — DEAD
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TSURUGI MOMOTARO
HEAD OF THE THIRD-YEARS
DAIGOUIN JAKI
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DATE BEAT DEINO AND RASETSU ALL BY HIMSELF!!
ALRIGHT!! THAT SETTLES IT!!
HE'S REALLY AMAZING !!

DO YOU THINK I VALUE MY LIFE AT THIS POINT...!?
HEH YOU DARE UNDER-ESTIMATE RASETSU OF THE FOUR LORDS...
YOU'D BETTER NOT MOVE IF YOU DON'T HAVE TO
THERE'S STILL HOPE FOR YOU IF YOU'RE TO BE TREATED

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NA AAA UGH !!
W-WHAT!? RASETSU'S STILL GONNA FIGHT HIM!!
GUAA AAAH !!

OHHH
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KILLING YOU WOULD DO NO GOOD ...
W-WHY DID YOU STOP RIGHT THERE... W-WHY DON'T YOU FINISH ME OFF?
T-THIS FIGHT WILL NOT END UNTIL YOU END MY LIFE...

STOP TRYING TO KEEP YOUR PATHETIC HONOR AND ACCEPT YOUR FATE.
THE FIGHT IS OVER. YOU KNOW THAT BEST OF ALL.
FORGIVE ME FOR BEING SHAMEFUL AND USING YOUR PARTNER AS A SHIELD...
HEH... I LOST... I, RASETSU, HAVE BEEN DEFEATED ...
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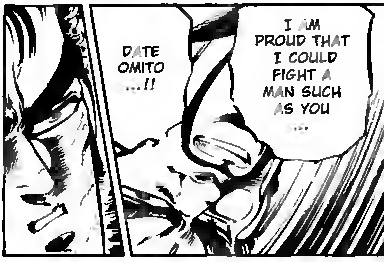
I AM PROUD THAT I COULD FIGHT A MAN SUCH AS YOU ...
DATE OMITO ...!!

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AHH! RASETSU'S JUMPED INTO THE LAKE OF FIRE!!

HE IS INDEED ONE OF OTOKOJUKU'S LORDS OF DEATH.. HE DIED AS A MAN.
HE KNEW DATE WOULD NOT FINISH HIM OFF, SO HE ENDED HIS OWN LIFE TO COMPLETE DATE'S VICTORY...!!
THE THIRD BATTLE OF THE GREAT TREMBLING CONQUEST OF THE UNIFIED EIGHT: THE BURNING SIX-POINTED STAR!!
OTOKOJUKU FIRST-YEARS DATE AND TORAMARU ARE VICTORIOUS !!
S-SEND THEM A BOAT! THE FIRE'S STARTING TO GO OUT!!
YEAHHH! THEY DID IT!!
IT'S OVER, TORAMARU ...!!

HEY! WE'VE COME TO GET YOU!!

THEY'VE DEFEATED THREE OF THE OTOKOJUKU THIRD-YEARS' LORDS OF DEATH... AND HAVE FINALLY MADE IT THIS FAR.
THEY WERE INDEED GREAT ...
BUT OF COURSE, THEY WON'T GET THERE SO EASILY.
WE WILL AWAIT THEM IN THE FOURTH BATTLE.
I, EIKEI, WILL MAKE UP FOR IT IN THE FOURTH BATTLE.
YOU MUST EXCUSE ME.
IT WAS MY MISTAKE FOR UNDERESTIMATING THEM IN THE FIRST PLACE.
HEH. YOU DON'T NEED TO APOLOGIZE.

ENOUGH OF ALL THE DATE THIS, DATE THAT!!
I'M THE MORE SERIOUSLY INJURED GUY HERE !!
HEY! BRING OVER MORE BANDAGES !!
D-DATE! IS YOUR CHEST WOUND ALRIGHT !?
BUT THAT WAS AN AMAZING BATTLE! I ALMOST PISSED MYSELF WHEN RASETSU USED THE SURROUNDING BINDING WIRE ON YOU!!
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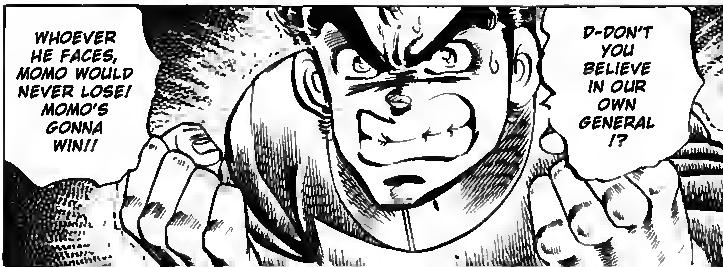
YEAH! YOU REALLY HAD GUTS, JUMPING INTO THE SEA OF FIRE LIKE THAT !!
N-NO, YOU WERE AMAZING TOO, TORAMARU !
TCH! WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT !?
W-WHAT THE HELL!? HE'S STILL ALIVE!?
OH, TORAMARU'S CONSCIOUS AGAIN!
S-STILL ALIVE ...!?

L-LET ME GO! I'M GOING WITH THEM !!
H-HEY, WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU DOING !?
HE'S ACTING STUBBORN, BUT HE'S SO HEAVILY WOUNDED IT'S A WONDER HE'S ALIVE.
WANG TA-REN, TAKE CARE OF TORAMARU.
INDEED... WE WILL DO THE BEST WE CAN.
I'M FINE. I WILL STAND WITNESS TO YOUR BATTLE.
DATE, WHAT WILL YOU DO... !?
ONWARD!! WE HEAD FOR THE FINAL BATTLE OF THE GREAT TREMBLING CONQUEST OF THE UNIFIED EIGHT!!

I-IT WAS A LONG ROAD GETTING HERE...
YEAH, BUT NOW IT ALL WILL END IN THIS FINAL BATTLE.
FINALLY THE THIRD-YEARS ARE SENDING THEIR GENERAL JAKI
NO ONE'S EVER SURVIVED A FIGHT WITH HIM BEFORE
I HOPE MOMO AND GEKKOU ARE ALRIGHT
H-HIDE-MARO!
SH-UT UP!!


D-DON'T YOU BELIEVE IN OUR OWN GENERAL!?
WHOEVER HE FACES, MOMO WOULD NEVER LOSE! MOMO'S GONNA WIN!!

ARE YOU SURE YOU HAVE A CHANCE ..?
THE HEAD OF OTOKOJUKU'S THIRD-YEARS DAIGOUIN JAKI... HE IS KNOWN AS THE EMPEROR OF COMBAT AS THE NAME SUGGESTS HE HAS MASTERED EVERY FORM OF MARTIAL ART THERE IS NO ONE IN OTOKOJUKU'S 300-YEAR HISTORY WHO CAN MATCH HIM
I CAN'T SAY FOR SURE ...
I WILL ONLY FIGHT SO THAT RAIDEN AND HIEN... AND THE REST OF YOU WILL NOT BE ASHAMED OF ME!
DON'T DIE, MOMO ...
HIS POWER IS OFF THE CHARTS. NOT EVEN I CAN DEFEAT HIM.
HEH. NO ONE WANTS TO DIE
WE HAVE ARRIVED !!
HALT !!

THE FINAL BATTLE WILL BE AT THE SUMMIT OF THIS TOWER!!
THIS IS THE FINAL BATTLEGROUND OF THE GREAT TREMBLING CONQUEST OF THE UNIFIED EIGHT, THE TOWER OF HEAVEN'S TERROR!!
OHHH !?

YOU MUST GO ON ALONE.
I SHALL TAKE MY LEAVE HERE . BUT I WILL AWAIT YOU AT THE SUMMIT.
W-WHAT KIND OF CRAZY TOWER IS THAT!?
THERE'S A SPIRAL PATHWAY GOING UP TO THE TOP!
HEH! WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WE'RE NOT GONNA THROW IN THE TOWEL IF WE'RE JUST CLIMBING A MOUNTAIN!!
ALRIGHT! LET'S HEAD FOR THE TOP!!
IF YOU CANNOT ENDURE THE TRIAL THAT AWAITS YOU, YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO ADVANCE TO THE FINAL BATTLE
TRIAL ...!?

THIS PATH IS SO STEEP, ONE SLIP AND YOU'LL FALL ALL THE WAY TO THE BOTTOM!
PHEW... THIS IS WAY HARDER THAN IT LOOKS ...
BUT WHY DOES THIS PATHWAY LOOK SO WEIRD?
IT'S LIKE IT WAS INTENTIONALLY CARVED OUT...

W- WHAT'S THAT SOUND, AN EARTHQUAKE !?
JUST A LITTLE MORE ...
KNOCK IT OFF! WE'RE ALREADY HALFWAY UP THE MOUNTAIN !
IT'S GETTING LOUDER AND LOUDER !!
I-IS THE TOWER GOING TO EXPLODE ?
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W-WHAT IN THE HELL!?
I-IT'S GONNA CRUSH US!!
I-IT'S A BALL! A GIANT IRON BALL IS ROLLING DOWN THE MOUNTAIN!!

SAKIGAKE!! OTOKOJUKU

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